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For: **STRIPE LAYOUT ASSEMBLY**

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This Statement is filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97. The prior art is listed on the accompanying Form PTO/SB/08A.

The prior art references, namely the U.S. Patents listed below, constitute the closest art of which the Applicant is aware relating to the invention of the above identified Application. The Application discloses and claims a stripe layout assembly, which is patentable over this prior art, and which is as follows.

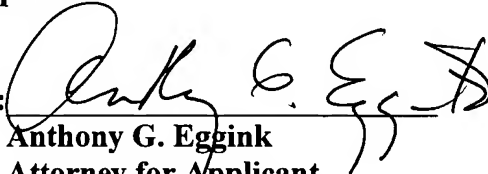
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It is respectfully submitted that Applicant's application discloses an invention which is patentable over these patent references, which are disclosed to the Patent Office to ensure that all pertinent art, of which the Applicant is aware, is before the Examiner for consideration. Entry of these references into the file of the above Application is believed to be in order, and is respectfully requested.

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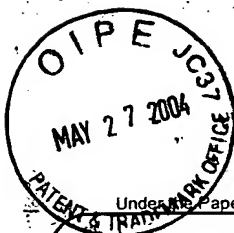
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